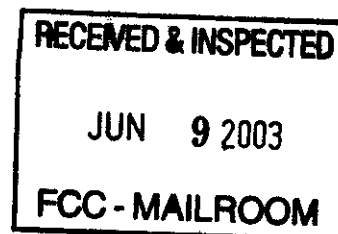


30 May 2003



Ms. Marlene Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45
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Dear Ms. Dortch:

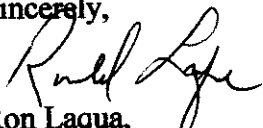
This is to certify that HTC Services, Inc. will use its Interstate Access Fund support (IAS) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended. HTC Services, Inc. is a competitive ETC providing service in Qwest Communications' North Dakota service territory (ILEC SAC 385144, UNE Zone 3).

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of HTC Services, Inc. This certification is for the CLEC study area listed below:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>CLEC Study Area Code</u>
HTC Services, Inc.	North Dakota	389002

If you have any questions regarding this certification, please call me at the number below.
Thank you.

Sincerely,


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Date: 5/30/03

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